

House Resolution No. 1764

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State institutions which are dedicated to meeting the spiritual needs of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Hermitage Christian Church was organized on Sunday, March 27, 1905, with twenty-three charter members, W.R. Coon and W.L. Pitts as elders, George C. Owens and Albert Pitts as deacons, Ross Coon as clerk, and Waverly Coon as treasurer; and

Whereas, on Sunday, April 3, 2005, the current members and staff of Hermitage Christian Church will celebrate the One Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of their church and will dedicate the newly constructed Fellowship Hall; and

Whereas, anniversary and dedication observances will be held by Hermitage Christian Church in the afternoon following Sunday School, a worship service, and a luncheon; and

Whereas, Hermitage Christian Church has been an integral part of Hickory County history since its 1905 establishment and has been led by a series of pastors that includes J.D. Babb, S.E. Hendrickson, Pleasant Clark, J.H. Jones, Orville Hodge, F.M. Hooten, L.V. Cox, A.W. Rethemeyer, A.T. Mahaney, R.W. Hoffman, Roy Fields, Jr., Earl E. Sechler, Chris J. Sias, Elbert R. Allenbaugh, James R. Earsom, John R. Harvey, J.C. Jordan, C.S. Macy, Paul C. Coltharp, Aubrey J. Russell, Jay M. Reese, Frank M. Cogdill, John Wylie, David Kirk, Grant Hagle, and the current pastor, the Reverend Ralph Lindenberger; and

Whereas, with a current membership standing at seventy-five persons, Hermitage Christian Church will put to good use the new Fellowship Hall with its upper level intended for church suppers, music sessions, special meetings, and craft sales and a lower level which will be used for storage and as a storm shelter:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long history of spiritual service so generously contributed by Hermitage Christian Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations as they celebrate the One Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of their religious institution; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Hermitage Christian Church.

Offered by _____
Representative Larry D. Wilson
District No. 119

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1764, adopted April 4, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker